

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION

JUN 22 2016

Clerk, U.S District Court District Of Montana Missoula

KERMIT POULSON,

Cause No. CV 16-18-M-DLC

Petitioner,

VS.

ORDER TO CLERK

STATE OF MONTANA; LEROY KIRKEGARD,

Respondents.

On June 22, 2016, Petitioner Poulson filed a motion to dismiss his petition. Respondents have not yet appeared in the case. Poulson states that he agrees he failed to exhaust his state remedies. Dismissal for failure to exhaust is made without prejudice. Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 485-86 (2000). Poulson's motion is more accurately characterized as a notice of voluntary dismissal under Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(i).

Accordingly, the Clerk is directed to treat Poulson's motion to dismiss (Doc. 32) as a notice of voluntary dismissal under Fed. R. Civ. P. 41.

DATED this **72** day of June, 2016,

Christensen, Chief Judge

United States District Judge